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Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: New U.S. Patent Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) - Gerhard Osburg et al

## CARBURETOR ARRANGEMENT

Sir:

- 1. Please find enclosed herewith for filing: 16 pages specification, 4 pages claims (22), 1 page abstract, combined declaration and power of attorney, and 4 pages drawings (4 figures) in support of the above identified application.
- 2. It is respectfully requested that this application be granted the priority date of July 23, 2002, the filing date of the corresponding German patent application 102 33 282.7, a certified copy of which is attached herewith.
- 3. Also enclosed herewith is an assignment from the inventors, Gerhard Osburg, Jochen Gantert, and Reinhard Gerhardy to Andreas Stihl AG & Co. KG, Badstrasse 115, D-71336 Waiblingen, Germany, which you will kindly record at the Patent and Trademark Office.
- 4. I am enclosing my check in the amount of \$826.00\* to cover the official fees of:

  Basic fee \$750.00

Additional fees:

Total number of claims in
excess of 20 (2 claims times \$18.00) \$36.00

Number of independent claims in

excess of 3 (# claims times \$84.00) \$ 00.00 Assignment recording fee \$ 40.00 TOTAL FEE \$826.00

\* It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and any fees required or any shortages of fees required be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

Respectfully Submitted,

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